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PATENT APPLICATION  
09/741,950

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Michael A. Issaa et al.  
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Filed: December 20, 2000  
Group No.: 2646  
Examiner: Ramnandan P. Singh  
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Confirmation No.: 5739  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ENABLING MULTIPLE  
PROTOCOL COMMUNICATION OVER A NETWORK

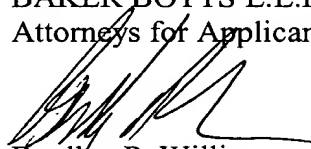
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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE TO REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's allowance of Claims 1-37. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.104, Applicants respectfully issue a statement commenting on the Examiner's reasons for allowance. Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's reasons for allowance to the extent that they are inconsistent with applicable case law, statutes, and regulations. Furthermore, Applicants do not admit to any characterization or limitation of the claims or to any characterization of a reference by the Examiner, particularly any that are inconsistent with the language of the claims considered in their entirety and including all of their constituent limitations.

Respectfully submitted,  
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